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Hello all,
I received quite a few responses seeking follow-up info. I received emails from a number of foreign and US companies stating that their facial rec software cannot or is not intended for this purpose but that they were interested in seeing if they can make it work.
I did find one company that specializes in facial rec of low quality images, especially from surveillance footage. Their software can either already scour PDFs or they're looking into it. They are NEC and the software is NeoFace. The program does seem rather robust and their bread and butter is being able to search through live or saved footage and identify suspects.
Here's the catch. The rep said the software is more than $30,000 (including hardware and software, but just the software alone would not be much cheaper). She pointed out a regional area that is implementing it and therefore the cost would be distributed among the collective agencies. Perhaps this would be a more cost-effective route.
Other options: since other companies think they can get their software to perform this function, perhaps in the near future, there will be more competitors out there advertising this service. But for now, this company was the only one I found that can do this.
Let me know if you have any questions about the companies who reached out to me.
Kind regards,
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